

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: CH-451 (PACS B16)

Construction Date: 1930

Name: Bridgett Property

Location: 8605 Leonardtown Road, Hughesville, Charles County

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Restricted

Description:

The Bridgett Property is a 1½-story, 3-bay, side-gable cottage with Bungalow features on the west side of Leonardtown in Hughesville, Charles County. Constructed in 1930, the cottage has a screened porch on the front elevation, and additions to the north, south and west. The structure has a side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles, an interior brick chimney, and there is a large shed roof dormer with exposed joists on the front elevation. The cottage is of wood-frame construction with wood siding and it has a concrete block foundation. The cottage has several different window types, including 6/6 and 2/2 double-hung wood, and 1/1 double-hung aluminum replacement windows.

Significance:

Constructed in 1930, the Bridgett Property is an undistinctive example of a common architectural type which has been altered. The side and rear additions have compromised the architectural integrity of the original cottage by changing the form and massing of the original design, and the flat-roof addition with roof railings are architectural elements not found in the original design. There are no detailed, published historic maps of Charles County, Maryland that locate and indicate ownership of structures. The Bridgett Property is located on a 0.06 hectare (0.15 acre) parcel of land on the west side of Leonardtown Road. According to the son of the owner, the residence was constructed in 1930.

Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
MD 5 - Hughesville Project

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Bridgett Property

2. Location:

street & number 8605 Leonardtown Road

___ not for publication

city, town Hughesville

___ vicinity of

congressional district

state

Maryland

county Charles

3. Classification:

Category

___ district

☒ building(s)

___ structure

___ site

___ object

Ownership

___ public

☒ private

___ both

Public Acquisition

___ in process

___ being considered

☒ not applicable**Status**☒ occupied

___ unoccupied

___ work in progress

Accessible☒ yes: restricted

___ yes: unrestricted

___ no

Present Use

___ agriculture

___ commercial

___ education

___ entertainment

___ government

___ industrial

___ military

___ transportation

___ museum

___ park

☒ private

___ residence

___ religious

___ scientific

___ other:

4. Owner of Property: (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Adrian and Clara Bridgett

street & number P.O. Box 443

telephone no.:

city, town Hughesville

state and zip code MD 20637-0443

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Charles County

liber 126

street & number Charles Street

folio 145

city, town La Plata

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

___ federal

___ state

___ county

___ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 4

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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The structure has a side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles, an interior brick chimney, and there is a large shed roof dormer with exposed joists on the front elevation. The cottage is of wood-frame construction with wood siding and it has a concrete block foundation. The cottage has several different window types, including 6/6 and 2/2 double-hung wood, and 1/1 double-hung aluminum replacement windows.

The east, or front elevation is concealed by the front porch. The porch is screened with a centered screen door. The cottage is accessed by a wood door centered between two 6/6 double-hung windows. Two 1/1, double-hung aluminum replacement windows are located in the shed-roof dormer.

The north elevation has a flat-roof addition on the third bay. The addition has a decorative wood railing around the roof perimeter, a 6/6 double-hung window on the east wall, and a 2/2 double-hung window on the north elevation. The fenestration pattern of the cottage is irregular, with one 6/6 double-hung window on the first story and one 1/1 double-hung window in the gable end.

The rear, or west, elevation has an addition that conceals the first bay of the cottage. The addition is 1-story with a shed-roof, and it has a 4-light wood door and a 6/6 double-hung window. The cottage has minimal fenestration on this elevation, with one 6/6 double-hung window located in the center bay. An enclosed stairwell to the basement, which projects beyond the wall plane of the cottage, is also located in the center bay. The stairwell is accessed by a wood door at grade.

The south elevation of the cottage is partially concealed by a large, gable projecting bay. The bay has a 6/6 double-hung window centered on the south and east elevations. The fenestration pattern of the cottage is irregular, with one 3-light fixed window on the basement level and one 6/6 double-hung window on the first story. The second story has one 1/1 double-hung aluminum replacement window in the gable end.

The interior of the cottage contains a large living room, kitchen, bath, and laundry/coat room on the first story, and bedrooms on the second story.

There are three outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a carport with an asphalt shingle, shed-roof. Constructed circa 1990, the carport is of wood-frame construction and is located north of the cottage.

The second outbuilding is a front-gambrel shed with an asphalt shingle roof. Constructed circa 1990, the shed is of wood-frame construction and is located northwest of the cottage and west of the carport.

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The third outbuilding is a front-gable shed with an asphalt shingle roof. Constructed circa 1980, the shed is of wood-frame construction and is located northwest of the cottage and west of the carport and gambrel shed.

The property is located on the west side of Leonardtown Road, with a residence to the north and commercial property to the south. The site has a few evergreen trees and is generally level to a point past the cottage, where it slopes up to the west. The property's setting is within the crossroads community of Hughesville, along a road that is a major transportation route.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
__ prehistoric	__ archaeology-prehistoric	__ Community planning	__ landscape architecture	__ religion
__ 1400-1499	__ archeology-historic	__ conservation	__ law	__ science
__ 1500-1599	__ agriculture	__ economics	__ literature	__ sculpture
__ 1600-1699	__ architecture	__ education	__ military	__ social/
__ 1700-1799	__ art	__ engineering	__ music	humanitarian
__ 1800-1899	__ commerce	__ exploration/settlement	__ philosophy	__ theater
x 1900-	__ communication	__ industry	__ politics/government	__ transportation
		__ invention		__ other (specify)

Specific dates 1930		Builder/Architect	
check:	Applicable Criteria: ___A ___B ___C ___D and/or Applicable Exceptions: ___A ___B ___C ___D ___E ___F ___G Level of Significance: ___national ___state ___local		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Constructed in 1930, the Bridgett Property is an undistinctive example of a common architectural type which has been altered. The side and rear additions have compromised the architectural integrity of the original cottage by changing the form and massing of the original design, and the flat-roof addition with roof railings are architectural elements not found in the original design. There are no detailed, published historic maps of Charles County, Maryland that locate and indicate ownership of structures. The Bridgett Property is located on a 0.06 hectare (0.15 acre) parcel of land on the west side of Leonardtown Road. According to the son of the owner, the residence was constructed in 1930.

The Bridgett Property is located in Charles County, Maryland. The Maryland Colony was granted by King Charles I to Lord Baltimore in 1632. Two years later, the first European community was established at St. Mary's City. Subsequent colonization moved north, along the Potomac and Patuxent Rivers. As settlers migrated away from St. Mary's City, the formation of a new county became necessary, and Charles County was founded in 1658. This area was originally inhabited by Algonquins of the Powhatan Confederacy. Road clearing began in the mid-eighteenth century as a result of the establishment of port towns and Maryland's rising population. Tobacco cultivation dominated the economic and social life of Charles County until the mid-nineteenth century when soil exhaustion required agricultural diversification. The introduction of rail lines in the late nineteenth century linked Charles County with the north and south, encouraging trade. While the suburbanization of Charles County was ensured by the widespread availability of the automobile in the mid-twentieth century, the County has retained its rural and agricultural character.

The area that became Hughesville was located in Lord Baltimore's grant of 6,879.9 hectares (17,000 acres) of Newport Hundred to Major William Boarmen during 1650-1699. This land included the region "east of Zachiah Swamp" and became known as Boarmen's Manor. Hughesville does not appear on an 1840 Map of a Part of Maryland, and Fisher's 1852 Gazetteer of the State of Maryland did not list the community. Hughesville was located at the crossroads of two of the main routes through Charles County: Burnt Store to Patuxent City and on to Annapolis, (Burnt Store Road and Prince Frederick Road/Route 231) and Bryantown to Charlotte Hall and on to St. Mary's City Leonardtown Road/Route 5). Accordingly, Hughesville is shown on Martenet's 1866 Map of Maryland, Atlas Edition. The 1871 State Gazette and Merchants and Farmers Directory for Maryland and the District of Columbia called Hughesville a "post town." Bland's 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer listed both Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches in Hughesville

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as well as a Friends' school, four (4) general merchandise stores, two (2) saloons, two (2) undertakers, a wheelwright, a blacksmith, a tobacco buyer, and a population of fifty (50). Gannett's 1904 Gazetteer of Maryland defined Hughesville as a "post village...on the Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad" (Gannett 1904: 43). By 1906 the community was known as "a station of the Southern Maryland Railroad...and a banking town" with two (2) physicians, two (2) general stores, two (2) blacksmiths, a grist and saw mill, a flour mill, an undertaker and livery, a hotel, a hotel and saloon, a grocer and saloon, an insurance salesman, and a population of 150 (Maryland 1906: 667).

The Bridgett Property is a vernacular side-gable cottage. Between 1870 and 1940 the vernacular cottage style was typically built for Americans of modest means. They are characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components, such as door frames, moldings, sash and window units, and porch decoration. The development of post-Civil War machinery capable of producing large amounts of standardized housing elements, such as those found in cottages, contributed greatly to the development of the modern American housing industry. Designs for vernacular cottages were obtained from popular magazines, such as House Beautiful, or carpenter's and builder's journals, such as American Builder. A variety of front-gable, side-gable, cross-gable and hipped roof frame cottages were developed in the early to mid-twentieth century. Front-gable and hipped roof cottages are primarily 1 to 1½-stories tall, 3-bays wide and several rooms deep. Side-gable and cross-gable structures are usually 2 to 2½-stories tall, are typically 2 to 3-bays in width and vary from one to three rooms deep. They usually include a porch covered with a shed roof. Porches are supported by posts often containing machine-produced Victorian ornamentation. Some cottages feature ornamentation drawn from Craftsman style or Colonial Revival architecture (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

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National Register Evaluation:

Constructed in 1930, the Bridgett Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is an undistinctive example of a common architectural type which has been altered. The side and rear additions have compromised the architectural integrity of the original cottage by changing the form and massing of the original design, and the flat-roof addition with roof railings are architectural elements not found in the original design. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended _____

Eligibility Not Recommended D

Comments

Reviewer, OPS: Colleen

Date: 5/15/98

Reviewer, NR Program: Malinda

Date: 5/24/99

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. CH-451 (PACS B16)

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name Hughesville, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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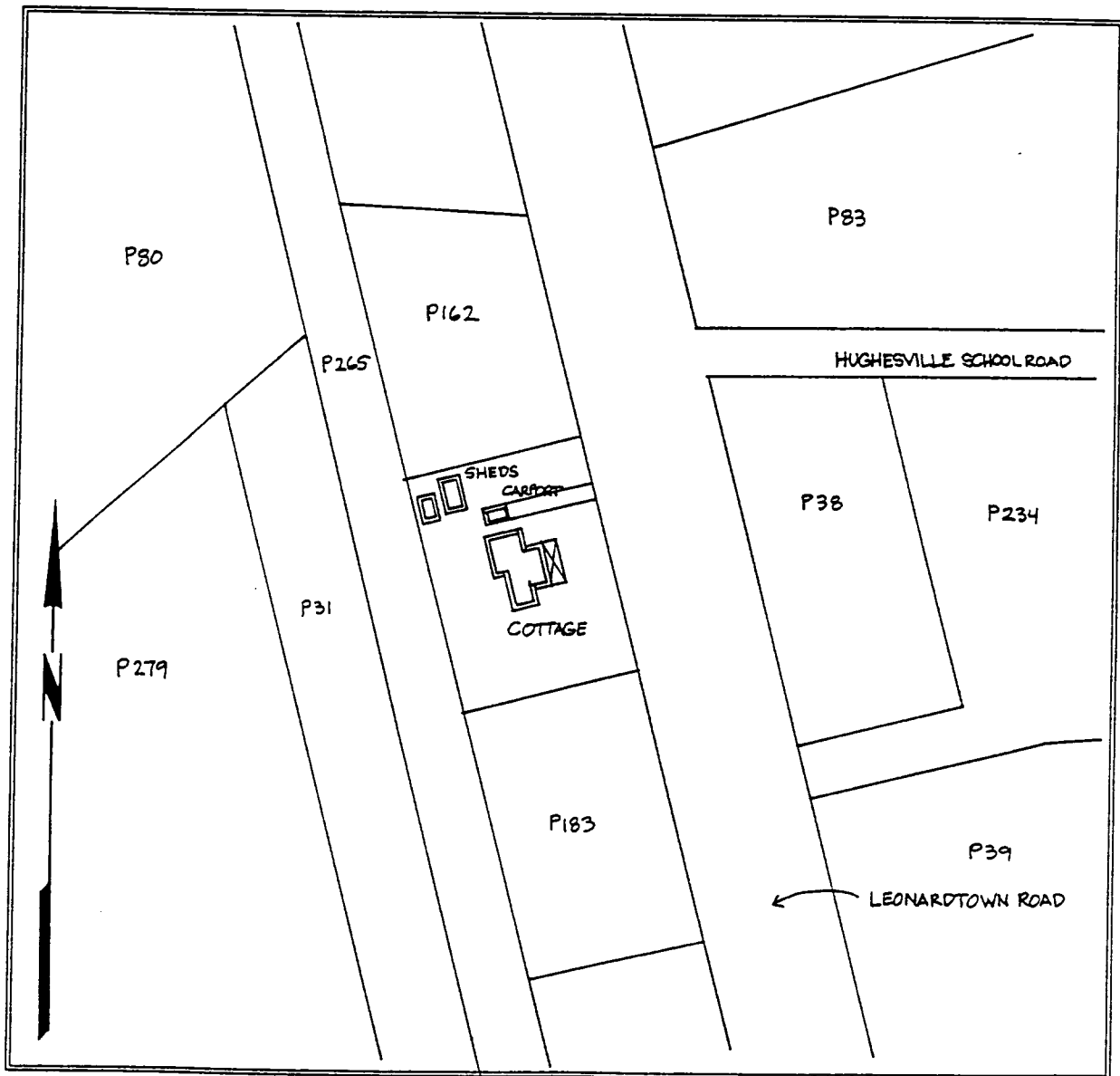
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Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

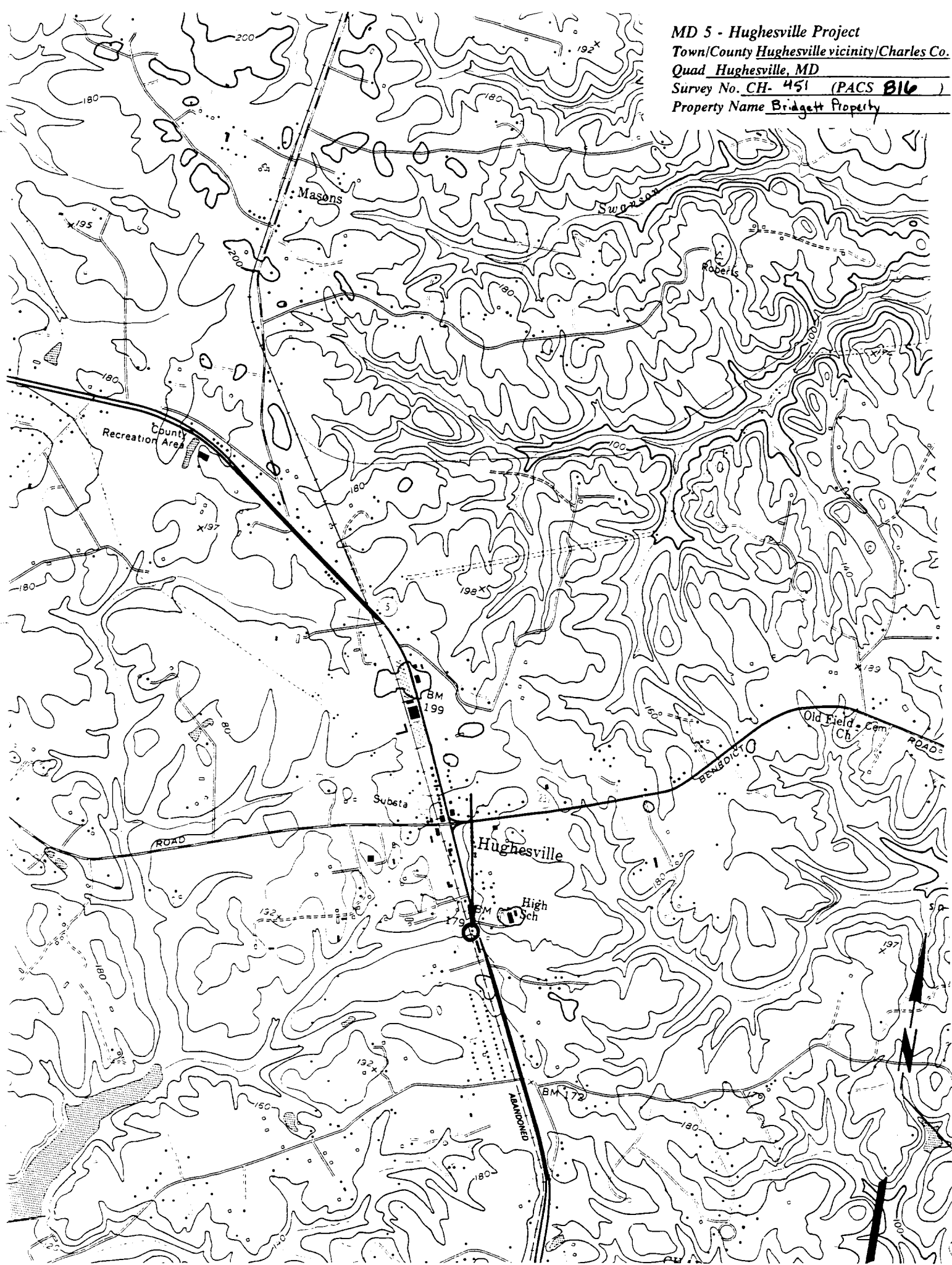
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Town/County Hughesville vicinity/Charles Co.
Quad Hughesville, MD
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